Examiner Hewitt agreed that these elements are not shown by <u>Rackson</u>, suggested that the Applicant submit a claim clearly stating these elements, and stated that an additional search would be required to consider the patentability of such a claim. The undersigned further pointed out that <u>Rackson</u> also fails to show a consolidated auction monitoring report for a number of different items offered for sale by the user, the use of tracking fields in the auction monitoring report, and certain other elements recited in the original claims. No agreement was reached regarding allowable subject matter.

CONCLUSION

It is believed that the claims entered by this Preliminary Amendment are in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes that there are any issues that can be resolved by a telephone conference, or that there are any informalities that can be corrected by an Examiner's amendment, please call Mike Mehrman at (404) 497-7400.

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